Extradition Treaty with Indonesia

1785. SHRI S.P.M. SYED KHAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have concluded an extradition treaty with Indonesia during Prime Minister's recent visit to Indonesia; and

(b) the names of countries with whom we have concluded extradition treaty so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI VINOD KHANNA): (a) No.

(b) India has extradition treaties with Belgium, Bhutan, Canada, Hong Kong, Nepal, Netherlands, Russia, Switzerland, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, United State of America and Uzbekistan.

Transit facilities for Indians

1786. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Bangladesh has decided to extend to India in port transit facilities on a priority basis;

(b) if so, the extent to which Government would be benefited by such transit facilities;

(c) whether the Government of Bangladesh have agreed to extend more facilities to India on reciprocal basis; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI VINOD KHANNA): (a) The Trade Agreement between India and Bangladesh provided for grant of transit by waterways, roadways and railways. However, at present only transit through inland waterways is being provided by Bangladesh.

(b) Access to Chittagong port would give the North Eastern States, especially Tripura, Mizoram and Meghalaya, greater connectivity with the rest of India and the world.